

## ABSTRACT

More particularly, this invention provides an excavating lip assembly including a lip. The lip has a surface, and the lip assembly further includes a wear member placed over the lip surface, the wear member having an inner surface, and the inner surface having a bolt securing indentation therein. The lip assembly further includes a holding element in the lip surface, the holding element having an opening there through. The lip assembly also includes a connecting bolt having an end received and held in the indentation, the connecting bolt also being received in the holding element opening. The lip assembly also includes a nut removably received on an end of the bolt to retain the bolt in the holding element opening. More particularly, the connecting bolt is a U-bolt, and wherein the indentation is formed by a half circle element extending from the shroud inner upper surface. The half circle element is cast in the wear element upper surface, and the holding element is a rectangular bar welded to the lip. Still more particularly, the wear member is notched and forms a top flange and a bottom flange, and the wear member inner surface is in the top flange, and the top flange has a cutout therein.